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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Wang et al.

CASE:

71138.010200A

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF

TIME

SERIAL NO.: 10/783,507

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FOR:

PACKAGING FOR GROUPED SIMILAR ITEMS,

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DRILL BITS AND THE LIKE

ATTENTION OF: Group Art Unit 3728

Examiner Johnson, Jerrold D.

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 502428.

This is in response to the non-final Office Action, mailed January 24, 2006, regarding the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the period for response to the Office Action, for one month, from April 24, 2006, up to and including May 24, 2006.

Applicant submits that a shortened statutory period of three months was originally set response, ending April 24, 2006, and that this application is not involved in an interference proceeding.

Applicant hereby expressly authorizes that the one month large entity extension of time fee of \$120.00 be charged to Applicant's attorneys' deposit account no. 502428. Acceptance of this request for extension of time is solicited.

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Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 456-8400 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: May 18, 2006

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This is in response to the non-final Office Action, mailed January 24, 2006, regarding the above-identified patent application. Please amend the application as indicated, and consider the following remarks, toward reconsideration and allowance of same. Applicant acknowledges with appreciation, the Examiner's indication that claims 12 and 25 have been allowed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 herein. Remarks begin on page 10 herein.

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